## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## INTERSTATE 15 LANE REDUCTION IN VICTORVILLE AND BARSTOW

**VICTORVILLE**-California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is reducing the northbound I-15 just north of Victorville and again at Lenwood Road in Barstow to one lane (at each location) to facilitate roadway striping. Painting operations will begin this evening, February 9, 2005 at 9 PM. Caltrans is striping the transitions from the existing road to the new three-lane freeway segment recently completed.

Anticipate the northbound off ramp at Lenwood Road to be closed. Motorists may **use Outlet**Center Drive three miles south of Barstow to access the outlet mall and local businesses.

Signs will be posted advising motorists of the ramp closure.

## **DETOUR**

Traffic may also **use L Street** to the north of Lenwood Road. The alternate route using L Street is a s follows:

Exit L Street,

Return back over the freeway,

Re-enter the southbound I-15 and

Exit using the southbound ramp at Lenwood Road.

Painting operations are estimated to be completed in one night. This will enable motorists to use this new, northbound, three-lane segment of I-15 tomorrow morning. Caltrans asks your patience during this construction project. Drive safely, defensively, and remember- **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE**.

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